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REMARKS

The July 20, 2005, Office action rejected claims 1 and 2 under 35 USC 102(b), objected to claim 3 on a formality, objected to claims 3-7 on the basis of their dependence from rejected base claims 1 and 2, and allowed claims 8-12. In addition the Examiner indicated that claims 3-7 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claims 13 and 14 have been withdrawn.

To expedite prosecution of this case, this Amendment and Response cancels claims 1 and 2, amends claims 3, 5-7, and 10-12, and adds new claims 15-21, all without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the subject matter of the original claims in co-pending applications. Support for the various amendments may be found in the originally filed specification, claims and figures; no new matter has been introduced. In view of the amendments and remarks presented in this paper, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Rejections under 35 USC §102

In the July 20, 2005, Office action, the Examiner rejected claims 1 and 2 under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by European Patent no. 1,246,300 (Hosaka). Applicants have cancelled claims 1 and 2, thus the rejection is moot.

Claim Objections

In the July 20, 2005, Office action, the Examiner objected to claim 3, with reference to the repetition of the limitation that the "core and shield bodies are mutually separated a short distance at said exposed inner dielectric section." To expedite prosecution of this case, Applicant has rewritten claim 3 in independent form, eliminating the cited limitation. Reconsideration and withdrawal of this objection to claim 3 are requested.

In the July 20, 2005, Office action, the Examiner also objected to claims 3-7 on the basis of their dependence on rejected based claims 1 and 2. As discussed above, Applicant has rewritten claim 3 in independent form, reciting that, in the claimed coaxial cable termination system, *the core body encompasses a portion of the exposed inner dielectric*

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section; the shield body encompassing a portion of said exposed inner dielectric section, and the coaxial cable substantially rigidly orients the core body and the shield body in substantially mutually parallel relation to the core locally thereat. Applicant respectfully submits that claim 3, as amended, is allowable. Applicant also submits that claims 4-7, which depend from claim 3, are also allowable. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections to claims 3-7 are requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

In the July 20, 2005, Office action, the Examiner allowed claims 8-12. Applicant has amended claims 10-12 to depend from claim 8 and submits that claims 10-12, as amended, fully comply with 35 U.S.C. §112. Consideration and allowance of claims 8-12 are requested.

New Claims

Applicants have added new claims 15-21, which depend from claim 3. No new matter is added, and each of the new claims finds full support in the originally filed claims. As discussed above, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 3, as amended, is now allowable. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 15-21, which depend from claim 3, are also allowable. Consideration and allowance of new claims 15-21 are requested.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicant requests the withdrawal of the objections to claims 3-7, and the consideration and allowance of new claims 15-21. Applicant respectfully submits that all of the pending claims fully comply with 35 U.S.C. §112 and are allowable over the prior art of record. Reconsideration of the application and allowance of all pending claims is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner wish to discuss any of the above in greater detail or deem that further amendments should be made to improve the form of the claims, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the Examiner's convenience.

Please charge any necessary fees, including any extension of time, or any other fee deficiencies to Delphi Technologies, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-0831.

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